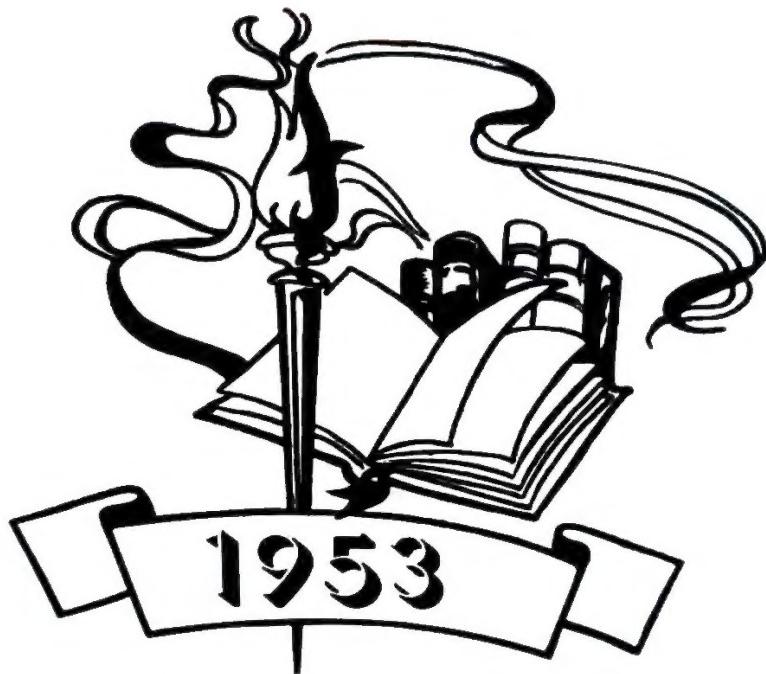


# THE FRACOTRASCO

1953

*We Proudly Present*

# THE



# FRANCOTRASCHO

**FRANKLIN COUNTY TRAINING SCHOOL**  
**Louisburg, North Carolina**



## *Foreword*

We, the graduating class of 1953, wish to extend our many thanks to the principal, faculty, student body, friends, and our beloved parents. The memories of Franklin County Training School will always be remembered throughout the years to come. May the annual of this graduating class be a reminder of all the good old days spent at F. C. T.S.

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## *Dedication*

MR. THOMAS E. CONWAY

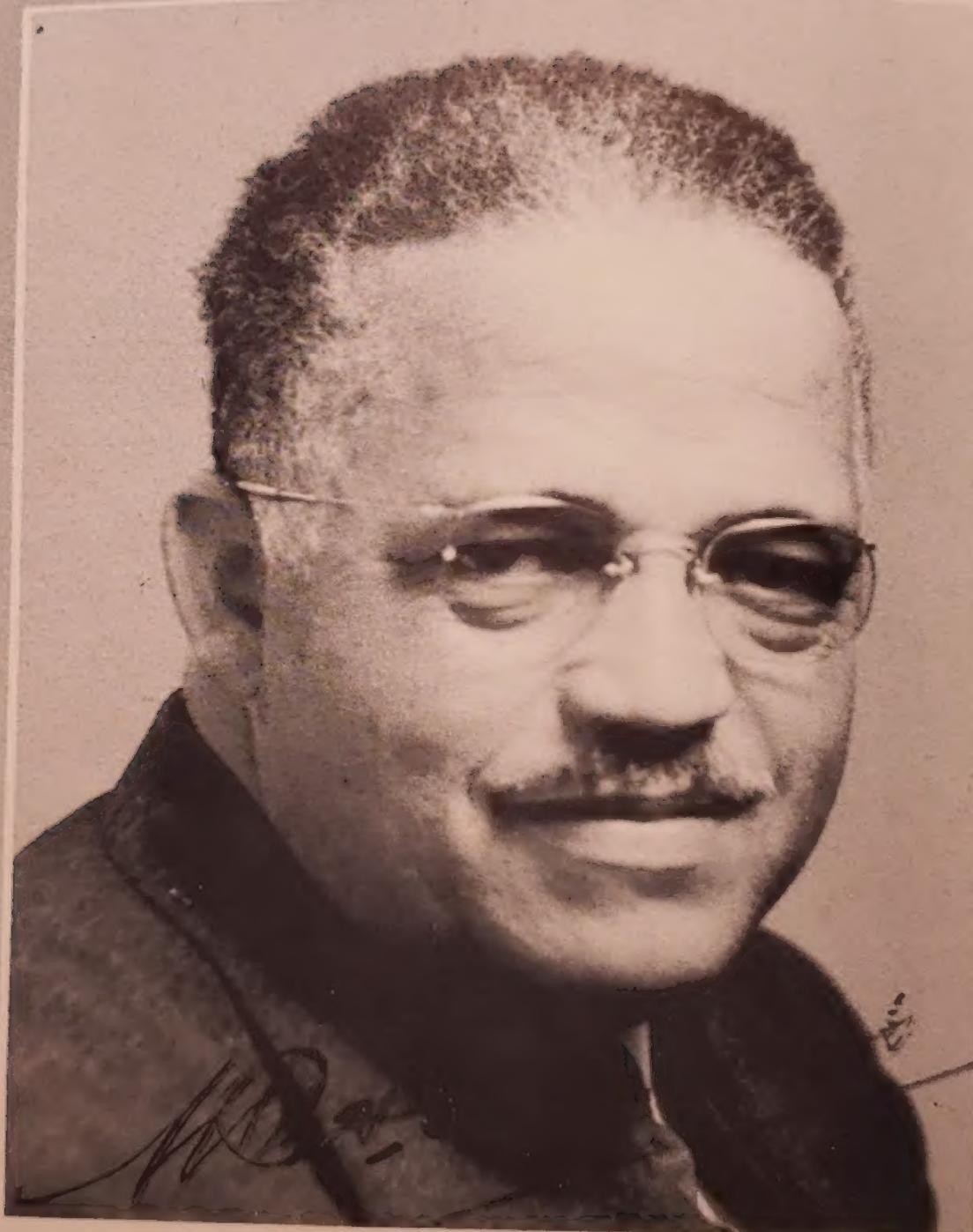


With deep and sincere appreciation for his  
loyal, unstinted efforts in our behalf, for his en-  
thusiastic cooperation and support in every endea-  
vor, and for his consistent service as true coun-  
sellor, guide, and friend, we the members of the  
class of 1953 dedicate the 1953 edition of the Fra-  
cotrasco Annual to Mr. T. E. Conway.



<b>Editor-in-Chief .....</b>	Sallie Richardson
<b>Assistant Editor-in-Chief .....</b>	Thelma Green
<b>Sports Editor .....</b>	Willie Brodie Mary Manley
	Clara Thomas
	Otis Hawkins
<b>Art Editor .....</b>	Mary Johnson
	Wilbur Williams
	Eva Yarborough
<b>Business Manager .....</b>	Bueina Young
<b>Assistant Business Managers .....</b>	Edith Brodie Joanne Dent Louise Macon
<b>Production Manager .....</b>	Earnest Kearney
<b>Sponsor .....</b>	Mr. Thomas E. Conway

# *Principal*



We are exceedingly proud of our Senior Class this year. It has been full of initiative, good citizenship, and cooperation.

I sincerely hope that the years of the future will hold for each of you, happiness, success, friendship, and your share of the "sheer joy of living."



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*Faculty*

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# Faculty



Mr. T. E. Conway  
Science & Physics



Miss L. S. Bradshaw  
Math & Science



Mr. J. E. Alston  
Vocational Ag.



Mrs. C. E. Conway  
French & English



Mr. J. M. Ridley  
English & Math



Mrs. C. G. Hawkins  
Biology, Civics, Art



Miss G. M. Jones  
Physical Education



Mr. J. O. Himbry  
Social Studies



Miss M. L. Hill  
English & School  
Treasurer



Mr. H. B. Green  
Physical Education



Mrs. M. E. Evans  
Home Ec., Health



Mr. J. J. Jones  
Music Instructor

# *Faculty*



Mr. M. A. Johnson  
Sixth Grade



Miss L. A. Alston  
Fifth Grade



Mrs. M. P. Johnson  
First Grade



Miss E. M. Syms  
Fifth Grade



Mrs. K. L. Burson  
Third Grade



Miss M. E. Debnam  
Second Grade



Miss M. L. White  
Second Grade



Mrs. G. Y. Sargent  
First Grade



Mrs. E. F. Johnson  
Third Grade



Miss E. M. McKnight  
Fourth Grade



Mrs. R. H. Ruffin  
Fifth Grade



Mrs. M. Y. Lewis  
Fourth Grade

1953



Seniors

# Senior Class Officers

JUNE A. EDGERTON

President

12 Yrs.

Student Council 1; N.F.A. 1,2; Boy Scouts 1, 2, 3; Safety Patrol 1, 2; Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Music Club.



HENRY EVANS

Vice President

4 Yrs.

Football 2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3,4;  
Science Club 1,2; Choral Club 1,2,  
3; Class Treasurer 1; N.F.A. 2,3,  
4; Student Council 1, V-Pres. 1.



THELMA GREENE

Secretary-Treasurer

4 Yrs.

Science Club 1; Home Ec. Club 1;  
Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Math Club 1;  
Crown & Scepter Club 1,2; Drama-  
tics Club 1; Safety Patrol 1; Class  
Sec. 1,2.

## *Senior Class Officers*



CLARA A. THOMAS  
Assistant Secretary  
12 Yrs.

Assistant Secretary 1, 2; Choral Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Crown & Scepter Club 3, 4; Sports Editor 1; Teen Age Club 3; Science Club 1; Music Club 1; Cheering Squad 1, 2, 3, 4



MARY H. MANLEY  
Chairman of Program Committee  
12 Yrs.

Pres. of Class 1; Choral Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Crown & Scepter Club 3, 4; Sports Editor 1; Science Club 1; Teen Age Club 1; Music Club 1; Cheering Squad 1, 2, 3.



MAGNOLIA PERRY  
Chairman of  
Social Program Committee  
4 Yrs.

4-H Club 1; Choral Club 1, 2, 3, 4; Basketball 1, 2, 3, 4; Sports Editor 1, 2; Music Club 1; Cheering Squad 1; Program Com. 1; Safety Patrol Club 1.

# *Seniors*



MOZELLA ALLEN  
7 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3; 4-H Club 1,2,3; Science Club 1; Home Ec. Club 1.



WILLIE BRODIE  
4 Yrs.

Football 2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Science Club 3; N.F.A. 2,3; Sports Editor.



EDITH BRODIE  
4 Yrs.

Home Ec. Club 1; Choral Club 3; 4-H Club 3; Science Club 1; Dramatics Club 2; Cheering Squad 1; Patrolman 1



ROBERT BURRELL  
12 Yrs.

Football 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,3; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Choral Club 1,2,3,4; N.F.A. 1,2,3



MARY CLEMONTS  
4 Yrs.

Class Reporter 1; Secretary 2; Ass't. Secretary 3; Safety Patrolman 4; Choral Club 4.



JOANNE DENT

12 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Music Club 1,2,3; Cheering Squad 1,2; Teen Age Club 1.



JOSEPH DAVIS

4 Yrs.

Football 2,3,4; N.F.A. 2,3,4; Science Club 1; Bus Driver 2.



WILLIE DAVIS, JR.

4 Yrs.

Football 2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3; Choral Club 1,2,3; Baseball 2,3,4; N.F.A. 2,3,4; Science Club 1,2,3.

# *Seniors*



RUSSELL DAVIS  
12 Yrs.  
Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 2,3,4; Choral Club  
1,2,3; Safety Patrol 1,2,3,4; Boy Scout 1,2;  
N.F.A. 1,2.



RICHMOND DAVIS  
4 Yrs  
N.F.A. 2,3,4; Science Club 1; Bus Driver 1;  
Baseball 1.



ROBERT GREENE  
12 Yrs.  
Sports Editor 1; Basketball 1,2,3; Football 1,2,  
3,4; Boy Scout 1,2,3; Vice Pres. 1; N.F.A. 1,2,  
3



LEORA HARRIS  
4 Yrs.  
Choral Club 1,2,3; Science Club 1,2,3; Student  
Council 1,2; 4-H Club 1,2; Dramatics 1; Teen  
Age Club 1; Home Ec. 1; NewEd. 1.



ILEAN HAWKINS  
5 Yrs.  
Choral Club 1,2; Band 1,2; Math Club 1; Student  
Council 1; Basketball 3; Class Editor 4; 4-H Club  
1,2,3; Crown & Scepter Club 3,4.



JORDAN HARRIS  
4 Yrs.  
Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Football 3,4; Baseball 2,3,4;  
Pres. 4-H Club 1; Bus Driver 1,2,3.



WILLIE HILLIARD  
4 Yrs.  
N.F.A. 1,2,3; Dramatics 1.



OTIS HAWKINS  
12 Yrs.  
Choral Club 1; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Baseball 1,2,  
3,4; Sports Editor 1; Football 1,2,3,4; N.F.A.  
1,2; Boy Scout 1,2; All Fall Line Conference 1.

# *Seniors*



MARY JOHNSON

4 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Pres. 1; Miss Debutante,  
Crown & Scepter 3,4; Art Editor 4; Treas. of  
Cheering Squad; Music Club 1; Home Ec. Club 1.



EARNEST KEARNEY

4 Yrs.

Basketball 1,2,3; N.F.A. 1,2,3; Music Club 1;  
Pro Mgr. 1; Student Council 1.



NOVELLA LEWIS

6 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. 1,2; 4-H Club  
1,2; Teen Age 1; Music 1; Safety Patrol 1.



RUTH MOORE

4 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Home Ec. 1,2, V-Pres.  
1; 4-H Club 1,2.



MARLYN MACON

4 Yrs.

Football 2; Basketball 1; N.F.A. 1; Science 1.



HERMAN NICHOLSON

4 Yrs.

N.F.A. 1,2,3; Band 1,2; Secretary 1.



Not Pictured:

LOUISE MACON

4 Yrs.

Student Council 1; Ass't. Bus. Mgr. 1; 4-H Club  
2; Choral Club 4; Home Ec. 1,2.



Not Pictured:

GLADYS MOSS

4 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Music Club 1; Cheering  
Squad 1; Miss F.C.T.S. 3,4.

# *Seniors*



SALLIE RICHARDSON

1 Yr. F.C.T.S.

3 Yrs. P.H.S.

Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Ed. Annual; 4-H Club 1,2,3,4; Dramatics 1,2,3; Student Patrol 1; Sec. of County; Debutante 1; Basketball 1.



OTEAN SHEARIN

4 Yrs.

Basketball 2,3,4; Science 2; Dramatics 1; Choral Club 1; 4-H Club 1; Home Ec. 1.



MARTHA WILLIAMS

4 Yrs.

4-H Club 2; Choral Club 1,2,3,4; Music Club 1; Cheering Club 1; Science Club; Home Ec. 1.

Not Pictured:



WILBERT WILLIAMS

12 Yrs.

Basketball 2,3,4; Football 3,4; N.F.A. 1,2; Boy Scout 1,2; Vice Pres. 1; Safety Patrol 1; Art Ed. 1.



BUENIA YOUNGE

3 Yrs.

Choral Club 3; Sec. of Science 1; Business Mgr. 1; Home Ec. 2; 4-H Club 1; Student Patrol 1.



Not Pictured:

BETRICE YOUNGE

4 Yrs.

Choral Club 1,2,3; Dramatics 1,2,3; Home Ec. 1,2.



Not Pictured:

GENEVA WILLIAMS

2 Yrs.

Science Club 1; Home Ec. 1,2,3; Math Club 1; Choral Club 1; 4-H Club 1,2.

# *Seniors*

EVA M. YARBOROUGH

4 Yrs.

Choral Club 1; Charm Club 1; Home Ec. 1; Teen Age 1. 4-H Club 1; Basketball 2; Dramatics 1.



## *Class History*

The Senior Class of "53" began September 5, 1952 with an enrollment of 94 students. In our first class meeting the following officers were elected: Mary H. Manley, President; Cleora Williams, Vice President; Clara Thomas, Secretary; Mary Johnson, Treasurer. How ignorant we were during our freshman year, but with the help of our Sponsor, Mr. T. E. Conway and Mr. J. O. Himbry we struggled for more knowledge.

During our freshman year Robert L. Green, Odell Branch, Frank Gup-ton and Henry G. Williamson represented us in basketball. Ethel D. Wheless and Clara Thomas were members of the cheering squad. We were well represented in the N.F.A. by Henry Evans, Jordan Harris, Willie Davis, and Joseph Davis.

Likewise it came to pass that we were received with malicious glee by a

certain band of wild beings who were called "Sophomores." In the fall of '50 our class decreased to 65. We elected Mary Belle Johnson as President, Wilbur Williams as Vice President, Austina Clemons, Secretary; and Queen Spivey, Assistant Secretary. These officers, with the help of our sponsors, Mr. T. E. Conway and Mr. J. O. Himbry, were able to make '50 a very successful year. Members of the basketball team were: Otis Hawkins, Henry G. Williamson, Ernest Kearney, Willie Brodie, Wilbur Williams, Russell Davis, Robert Green, Magnolia Perry, Clara Thomas, Cleora Williams and Mary Helen Manley. Members of the football team were: Henry G. Williamson, Henry Evans, and Odell Branch. Leora Harris and Louise Maccon were members of the Student Council.



## *Class History*

In the fall of "51", full of confidence in our ability to uphold the dignity of our position and reach our cherished goal, Seniority, we elected as President, Henry G. Williamson; Vice President, Clara Thomas; Secretary, Thelma Green; Assistant Secretary, Austina Clemons; and Treasurer, Henry Evans. Assisting us in reaching our goal were our Sponsors, Mr. T. E. Conway and Miss L. S. Bradshaw.

We had to represent us in basketball, Eva Mae Yarborough, Otean Shearin, Mary H. Manley, Magnolia Perry, Clara Thomas, Ilean Hawkins, Jordan Harris, Willie Brodie, Willie Davis, Russell Davis, Otis Hawkins, Robert Green, Earnest Kearney, and Henry G. Williamson. We were represented in football by Henry Evans, Jordan Harris, Otis Hawkins, Robert Green, Merlyn Macon, Willie Davis, and Willie Brodie. We were also represented in baseball by Henry, Evans, Jordan Harris, Otis Hawkins, and Willie Davis. Other activities that members of our class took a part in were the Band, with Ilean Hawkins, Herman Nicholson, and Mary Manley. Ilean Hawkins and Edith Brodie were members of the Mathematics Club. Mildred Williamson, Leora Harris, Mozella Allen, Jordan Harris, Henry Evans, and Queen Spivey were members of the Science Club. Betrice Young, Eva Mae Yarborough, Otean Shearin, and Susie Hilliard were members of the Dramatics Club.

After three hard years of work, we prepared a Junior and Senior Prom, with the Seniors as our guests.

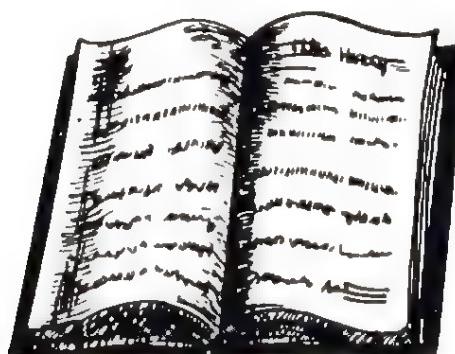
After our struggle through the years we proudly entered into "Seniority" in the fall of 1952 with 46 members. June A. Edgerton was elected President; Henry Evans, Vice President; Thelma Green, Secretary-Treasurer; Clara Thomas, Assistant Secretary; and Russell Davis, Sargent of Arms. Mr. T. E. Conway was our beloved Sponsor. During the four years our membership decreased by more than one half. However, we were very glad to welcome Sallie Mae Richardson into our fold.

It was with pleasure that we watched Thelma Green, Ilean Hawkins, Mary Manley, Mary Belle Johnson, Sallie Richardson, and Clara Thomas become members of the Crown and Scepter Club. We have been well represented in all the activities of the school this year, football, basketball, baseball acappella choir, student council, and "Miss Deb-utante."

At the close of four years of hard work, we were the guest of the Juniors at the Junior-Senior Prom, held in the gymatorium.

Now that these things are about over we are being faced with graduation. It looks as if the end is approaching, but is it really time? Maybe it is or maybe it is not. However, we are looking forward to a better and brighter future in which to reach the highest heights life has to offer.

Written by:  
Leora Harris  
Mildred Williamson



# Senior Class Prophecy

(A Dream)

Raleigh, North Carolina  
July 4, 1963

Dear Clara,

Your letter of June 30th just received and I certainly was glad to hear from you once again. Austina and I have just returned to Raleigh after a very tiring but enjoyable four days' trip through the state of North Carolina. You know I was telling you in my last letter that we were going to visit as many members of the old class of '53 as possible; so now that we have done this I want to tell you about them and what their fortunes in life have been in the last ten years since graduation. But I want, first of all to congratulate you on the excellent work I hear that you are doing as a missionary. You are, indeed, fortunate to have such capable helpers as Jordan C. Harris, Mary Belle Johnson, and the Rev. Otis Hawkins, whose philosophy has always been that "some one has to help fallen humanity and be a guide in bringing our future men and women together." I always knew that the four of you would come out on top as missionaries.

Our first stop was in Durham, N.C. where we visited Martha Williams, Leora Harris, Henry Evans, and Richmond Davis. All four had attended Howard University, Washington, D.C., and had received degrees in Cosmetology and Barbering. After returning to Durham they went into business together and now boast of one of the most flourishing enterprises in the state of North Carolina.

While there we were informed that a great conference was to be held at the Franklin County Training School, Louisburg, N.C., for specialists in the fields of Entomology and Embryology. Remembering that there were members of the class of '53 who professed great interest in these fields, we decided to retrace our steps a little and visit this conference. No sooner had we arrived than we ran into Willie Frank Hilliard and Novella Lewis, who are now happily married. Since school days they had decided to make a study of those insects common to Franklin County their life's work.

We were astounded to learn that there were no Boll Weevils in North Carolina anymore. Due to the keen insight of Robert Lee Greene and Mildred Williamson, who had made an intensive study of these destroyers of crops, under the capable guidance of June Arthur Edgerton and Thelma Greene, instructors at A & T College, Greensboro, N.C., all of these pests had been wiped out.

From Louisburg we journeyed to Winston Salem. We wanted to see Mozella Allen and Betrice Young, who are co-owners of a branch office of the Camel Cigarette Factory there. We knew that since all the world seems to be smoking that they would probably know the whereabouts of many of our classmates that we were unable to contact. And just as we thought they were able to give us much information. We learned that Joseph Davis and Joanne Dent had become mathematicians in the Department of Vital Statistics of New York City and Philadelphia respectively. Oteen Shearin, Geneva Williams and Russell Davis had chosen the army and are now serving over seas. Of course Oteen and Geneva went along to take care of Russell.

Magnolia Perry found that being married to Herman Nicholson was too sweet to last so she volunteered to go in the army as a WAC and went over seas to prove to herself that she could have a career and heaven too. Herman is patiently awaiting her return. Sallie Richardson and Wilbert Williams, now teachers of "Better Marital Relations" at Bennett College, had passed through the city two weeks before on their way to vacation in Florida. They are devoting their lives to family problems but contend that marriage is not for them.

As all good things must end we left the abode of our dear friends, Mozella and Betrice, and traveled on to Ashville. There we found Merlyn Macon and Willie Davis, famous opticianists. Merlyn was glad to tell us of Robert Burrell's and Ernest Kearney's success. Robert had become president and Ernest vice president of the Pennsylvania Air Lines.

Well, Clara, we surely did enjoy the trip, only wish you could have been with us. Write me a line when you have time; would like to hear from you again.

Your friends,  
Mary Helen Manley  
Austina Clemons  
Class Prophets '53

# *Class Superlatives*

Herman Nicholson	"Most Scholarly"	Thelma Green
Earnest Kearney	"Most Dignified"	Ruth Moore
Russell Davis	"Most Cooperative"	Austina Clemons
Herman Nicholson	"Most Witty"	Ilean Hawkins
Merlyn Macon	"Most Humorous"	Clara Thomas
June A. Edgerton	"Most Popular"	Sally M. Richardson
Wilbert Williams	"Most Conservative"	Louise Macon
Jordon Harris	"Most Boisterous"	Mary Johnson
Otis Hawkins	"Most Athletic"	Eva M. Yarborough
June A. Edgerton	"Most Musical"	Mary H. Manley
Robert Burrell	"Most Responsible"	Beuenia Young
Willie Davis	"Most Industrious"	Mildred Williamson
Richmond Davis	"Most Lazy"	Leora Harris
Robert Greene	"Most Talkative"	Gladys Moss
Willie Brodie	"Kindest"	Edith Brodie
Joseph Davis	"Most Disagreeable"	Magnolia Perry
Willie Hilliard	"Most Versatile"	Joanne Dent
Willie Davis	"Largest"	Beuenia Young
June A. Edgerton	"Neatest"	Eva M. Yarborough
Willie Hilliard	"Most Quiet"	Novella Lewis
Earnest Kearney	"Youngest"	Martha Williamson
Willie Hilliard	"Oldest"	Batrice Young
Otis Hawkins	"Best Dressed"	Batrice Young
Earnest Kearney	"Beau and Belle"	Sally Richardson

## Last Will and Testament

On behalf of my client, the class of 1953, of the Franklin County Training School, city of Louisburg, State of North Carolina, I have called you together upon this solemn and serious occasion to listen to her last will and testament, and to receive from her dying hand the few gifts she has to bestow in her last moments.

To our Principal and Faculty, we will our love, best regards, and hope that they will be more successful in the future.

To the Junior Class, we will our ability to graduate.

To the Sophomore Class, we will the front lawn.

To the Freshman Class, we will our home room.

To Willie F. Perry, the Senior boys, will the ability not to argue so much.

To Annie Mae Bridie, Mozella Allen wills her slowness around F.C.T.S.

To Eugene Martin, Russell Davis wills his money and land.

To Edith Allen, Austina Clemonts wills her fine brown frame and her cute little smile. To Shirley Young she wills the ability not to be afraid.

To Bessie Harris, Leora Harris wills her ability to graduate.

To Mary Helen Branch, Betrice Young wills the key to Halvester Leonard's heart and hopes that she will be able to use it.

To Easter Rose and Eleanor Shearin, Oteen Shearin wills her ability to become a dignified senior.

To Jordan Harris, Thelma Green wills the key to her heart, and to the remaining girls of F.C.T.S., William Lemay.

To Jessie Davis, Joseph Davis wills his ability to be a better bus driver.

To Eugene Martin, Otis Hawkins wills his legs and to Randolph Williams his strong knees.

To Jackie King, Russell Davis wills about forty pounds.

To Randolph "Mudo" Williams, Wilbert Williams wills his daily trip to the bank.

To Shirly Young and Margurite Spivey, Beuenia Younge wills her ability to get her lesson better. To Lila Kelly, she wills her charming personality.

To William Lemay, Richmond Davis wills bus No. 45.

To Mary Helen Branch, Sallie Richardson wills her everlasting friendship.

To Gladys Eaton and Mary Rose Williams, Joanne Dent wills her ability to drive a car.

To Shelton Rodwell, Willie Brodie wills his football uniform.

To Shelton Rodwell, Willie Davis wills his football shoes, and to Johnnie Lee Bobbitt, his bad pitching arm.

To Sue T. Johnson, Ilean Hawkins wills her height and size.

To James Yarborough, Willie F. Hilliard wills his kindness.

To Ruth Leonard, Eva Yarborough wills her basketball suit and hopes that she will use it to the best of her ability.

To Claude Leonard, Henry Evans wills his driver's license and his ability to act like a gentleman around ladies.

To Joe Lewis Moore, Jordan Harris wills his ability to play football, and to Edward Perry, his height.

To Yvonne Hawkins, Magnolia Perry wills her position on the basketball team, and to Grace Johnson, her courtesy on the bus.

To Tommy Tucker, Ernest Kearney wills his ability to keep a hair cut, and to be a gentleman around ladies.

To Ruth Leonard, Shirley Young, and Marguerite Spivey, Ruth Moore wills the brick column to the right of the lawn.

To Mary H. Hicks, Mary Johnson wills her will-power to resist food.

To Mary Gupton, Martha Williams wills all her school books.

To Sallie Hawkins, Clara Thomas wills her ability to get her lessons.

To Grace Johnson, Mary H. Manley wills her ability to talk all day long.

To Althea Young, Mildred Williamson wills the key to her heart.

To Dorothy Perry, Geneva Williams wills her Sociology book.

To Marie Evans, Leora Harris wills her seat in Mr. Himbry's Guidance class.

Novella Lewis wills her quietness to all the noisy girls at F.C.T.S.

To Johnnie Lee Bobbitt, June A. Edgerton wills his musical ability.

In witness whereof, we, the class of 1953, set our hands and seal this 28th day of May, in the year of our Lord, one thousand nine hundred and fifty-three.

Witnesses:

Clara Thomas

Otis Hawkins

Novella Lewis

Written by:  
Austina Clemonts

## *Class Song*

(Tune: "Flow Gently, Sweet Afton")

We're parting to-night from the friends of our youth,  
We part from the school that our valor inspired.  
It quickened our zeal and our love for the truth,  
And always our faint hearts to fervor it fired.  
We shall ever admire, as this moment we do,  
All the bounteous wisdom and worth of her name;  
Her children will stay to her memory true  
While deeds of devotion add light to her fame.

When worries and cares that the future may hold  
Bring furrows of age and regrets to our brow,  
We'll come back in fancy to dear days of old  
And smile at our dreaming as happy as now.  
While the shadows of sorrow shall all fade away  
In the light of our yesterday's radiant glow,  
Down memory's lane in the cool twilight gray  
Turn back to the school days of long, long ago.

## *Class Poem*

### **LET US ADMIT IT**

(With apologies to Kipling)

Let us admit it fairly as high school Seniors should:  
We've had no end of lessons, and they've done us no end of good.  
We entered as timid Freshmen, we leave as graduates bold,  
And we find it hard to realize the knowledge our young  
heads hold.

We've had our foolish notions knocked higher than Franklin's  
kite;  
Our minds have been made over, and we know it served us right.  
We've spent four tears in labor hard to prove the fact once more  
That life is quite confused, and two and two are seldom four.

We're crammed to the brim with learning, and now we must  
turn it to use,  
And if one of us is a failure, he hasn't a single excuse.  
The more we work and the less we talk the better results we  
shall get,  
For we've had four years of training; it may make us successes  
yet.  
Let us admit it fairly as high school Seniors should;  
We're proud of Franklin County Training School; it's done us a  
lot of good.

The Junior Class of 1953  
Officers

President .....	Mary H. Hicks
Vice President .....	Joe Moore
Secretary .....	Sue Johnson
Treasurer .....	Marie Evans

CLASS COLORS  
Blue and Pink

CLASS MOTTO  
"Forward Ever, Backward Never"

The Junior Class entertained the Senior Class by giving them a Prom on May 8, 1953.

HONOR ROLL

Isabelle Alston  
Wendolyn Alston  
Mary Branch  
Lois Clemonts  
Josephine Yarborough

Ethel Grisson  
Ruth Hawkins  
Mary Hicks  
Sue Johnson  
Marie Evans

Class Reporters:  
Isabelle Alston  
Ruth Hawkins

Juniors

## *Eleventh Grade*



ISABELLE ALSTON  
MARSHALL ALSTON  
WENDOLYN ALSTON



JAMES ANDERSON  
JULIA M. BATTLE  
JOHNNIE BOBBITT



MARY B. BRANCH  
DOUGLAS BROWN  
SHELLEY BROWN



CALVIN CHEEK  
MATTHEW CHEEK  
SALLYE CLANTON

## *Juniors*

LOIS A. CLIFTON  
CHRISTINE CLIFTON  
EVANSTEEN CLIFTON



NORA COOKE  
BENJAMIN CRAWLEY  
GLADYS EATON



MARIE EVANS  
LULA M. FOGG  
DOIS E. GREENE



ETHEL GRISSOM  
BESSIE HARRIS  
RUTH HAWKINS



## *Juniors*



MARY H. HICKS  
SHIRLEY HUNT  
SUSANNA JACOBS



ROBERT JOHNSON  
SUE T. JOHNSON  
JAMES KING



WILLIAM LEMAY  
EUGENE MARTIN  
MARY MILON



JOE L. MOORE  
NED D. NEAL  
DOROTHY PERRY

## *Juniors*

WILLIAM SCOTT  
MARGUERITE SPIVEY  
ALMA STEED



ROBERT WARD  
ANITA WHITE  
LILLIAN WILLIAMS



MILDRED WILLIAMS  
RANDOLPH WILLIAMS  
JOSEPHINE YARBOROUGH



JAMES YARBOROUGH  
SHIRLEY YOUNGE



**CLASS OFFICERS**

President .....	Mary King
Vice President .....	Katie Johnson
Secretary .....	Dorothy Davis
Treasurer .....	Irby Walker

**HONOR ROLL**

Lucy Blackmond	Velma Kearney
Dorothy Davis	Mary King
Marvislene Gill	Blair Lewis
Virginia Green	Annie Loan
Sallie Hawkins	Alice Macon
Freddie Louise Jacobs	Mattie Nicholson
Grace Johnson	Betty J. Perry
Katie Johnson	Costella Smith

There are 75 enrolled in the Sophomore class.

Class Reporter:  
Grace Johnson

Mr. George E. ...  
Mr. ... Lee ...  
**Sophomore**

*Sophomore Class*  
10 A



10 B



# Ninth Grade

In September of 1952, ninety-two pupils were registered in the ninth grade. By popular vote the following officers were chosen for the class:

President -----	Mabel Mann
Vice President -----	Oliver Davis
Secretary -----	Barbara Jean Harris
Assistant Secretary -----	Mary Rose Williamson
Treasurer -----	Rebecca Hicks
Class Reporter -----	Wavley Lewis, Jr.

By the close of the first semester nineteen members of the class, with a B or above average, found their names on the Honor Roll.

Tommy E. Tucker	Walter G. Harris
Mary Rose Williamson	Burnice Kearney
Samuel Lemay	Nan Anderson
Lois Lewis	Elizabeth Dunston
Jesse Lee Perry	Martha Davis
Wavley Lewis, Jr.	Barbara Jean Harris
Norman Alston	Yvonne Hawkins
Matthew Batchelor	Mary Belle Hicks
Oliver Davis	Rebecca Hicks
	Harold Perry

Fresh, but eager and active, the ninth grade is represented in practically every organization or extra-curricular activity in the school.

## PATROLMEN:

Walter G. Harris  
Carrine Solomon  
Mary Ruth Nile  
Bobby Hartsfield

## STUDENT COUNCIL:

Mary Rose Williamson  
Barbara Jean Harris  
Mabel Mann  
Oliver Davis

## FOOTBALL:

Earl Mann  
Joe Greene

## BAND:

Walter G. Harris  
Ralph Clemons  
Earl Mann

## BASKETBALL:

Barbara Jean Harris  
Mary Rose Williamson  
Betty Ann Hill  
Yvonne Hawkins  
Mabel Mann  
Curtis Dunston  
Walter G. Harris  
Judge Williams

## CHEER LEADERS:

Lois Lewis  
Mary Rose Williamson  
Eleanor Shearin  
Barbara Jean Harris  
Harold Perry  
Tommy E. Tucker  
Norman Alston  
Rebecca Hicks  
Eva Mae Yarborough

## CHOIR:

Barbara Jean Harris  
Curlena Clifton  
Norman Alston  
Essie King  
Hattie Alston  
Jane Dunston  
Captora Jones  
Mary Chavis  
Mary Ruth Nile  
Martha Davis  
Jesse Lee Perry

Rebecca Hicks  
Walter G. Harris  
Rosetta Greene  
Ralph Clemons  
Lillie Alston  
Annie Brown  
Addie J. Perry  
Josephine Nile  
Carrine Solomon  
Yvonne Hawkins  
Oliver Davis

## BOY SCOUTS:

Harold Perry  
Jesse Lee Perry  
Norman Alston

Wavley Lewis, Jr.  
Earl Mann  
Walter G. Harris

## SPONSORS:

Mrs. C. G. Hawkins

Mrs. C. E. Conway

Ninth Grade

9 A



9 B



**7A OFFICERS**

President .....	Elizabeth R. Elks
Vice President .....	Christine Brodie
Secretary .....	Virginia D. Eaton
Assistant Secretary .....	Gloria J. Davis
Program Committee .....	Evelyn Chavis

**7B OFFICERS.**

President .....	Gladys M. Stroud
Vice President .....	James I. King
Secretary .....	Constance Jones
Assistant Secretary .....	Dorothy M. Jones
Treasurer .....	Joshua W. Levister

The grade 7A gave a program the 12th of February in celebration of St. Valentine's Day. Grade 7B gave a movie, the name of which was "Blondie and Dagwood." On February 25, 1953, we went to Chapel Hill with our Science teacher, Mrs. C. G. Hawkins. We went to the Planetarium, and we saw the "Birth of the World." We enjoyed it very much because we were studying about the Solar System, gravity, stars, sun, and the earth in our Science class.

We have a cheering squad and a cheer leader. We have members from 7A and 7B.

Christine Brodie 7A  
Gladys M. Stroud 7B  
Frances A. Whitaker 7B  
Constance B. Jones 7B

**EIGHTH GRADE NEWS ITEMS**

1. Shirley, Mozella, Emma and Etta Lewis sing in the "Four Stars."
2. George Lewis, Thomas King, George Whitaker, Herbert Patterson, and Arthur Johnson sing in the "Five Stripes."
3. Paulina Perry represented the 8th Grade in the Student Council.
4. Joseph McKnight is President of the Eighth Grade with the following other officers:

Jimmie Manley ..... Vice President  
Linda Lewis ..... Secretary  
Shirley Leathers ..... Assistant Secretary  
Jeannette Phillips ..... Treasurer  
Mr. J. O. Hembry ... Home Room Teacher

**5. Our Honor Roll:**

James Perry  
Joseph McKnight  
George Harris  
Shirley Leathers  
Linda Lewis  
Bettie Nicholson

**6. Miss Popularity of 8-B**

Shirley Leathers  
Jeannette Phillips  
Linda Lewis

7. The class sponsored an assembly program in the "Gymn" on January 6th. The audience seemed to have highly enjoyed the presentation. We hope to improve in the program of April 17.

Elementary

*Eighth Grade*



*Eighth and Seventh Grades*



*Seventh Grade*



*Sixth Grade*



## *Fifth Grade*

### *5A*

There were forty of us when school opened in September. We lost three boys and two girls. We were very sorry when our five classmates left us.

In our class work we have studied many units. Those we enjoyed most were "The Seven Basic Foods," "Let's See America," and "Different Groups of Animal Life."

We have taken an active part in all school activities. The one that we enjoyed most was our chapel program, "Are You Thrifty?" Some other programs in which we participated were: "Brotherhood Week," and "Fire Prevention Observance" pageants.

#### HONOR ROLL

Gracie Clifton	Weldon Egerton
Mary Clifton	James Davis
Mary Etta Green	Janet Kelly
Dorothy Jacobs	Nalonia Alston
Carolyn Levister	

## *Sixth Grade*

### *6A*

The Sixth Grade formed a class club during part of the first semester. Class Officers are:

President .....	Joseph Hill
Vice President .....	Carlena Hampton
Secretary .....	Shirley Chavis
Treasurer .....	Carl Davis

The class sponsored several social activities, among them Christmas and Valentine parties.

Our representatives to the Student Council are: Pearline Johnson and Carlena Hampton, Mary Anne Hawkins and Shirley Chavis.

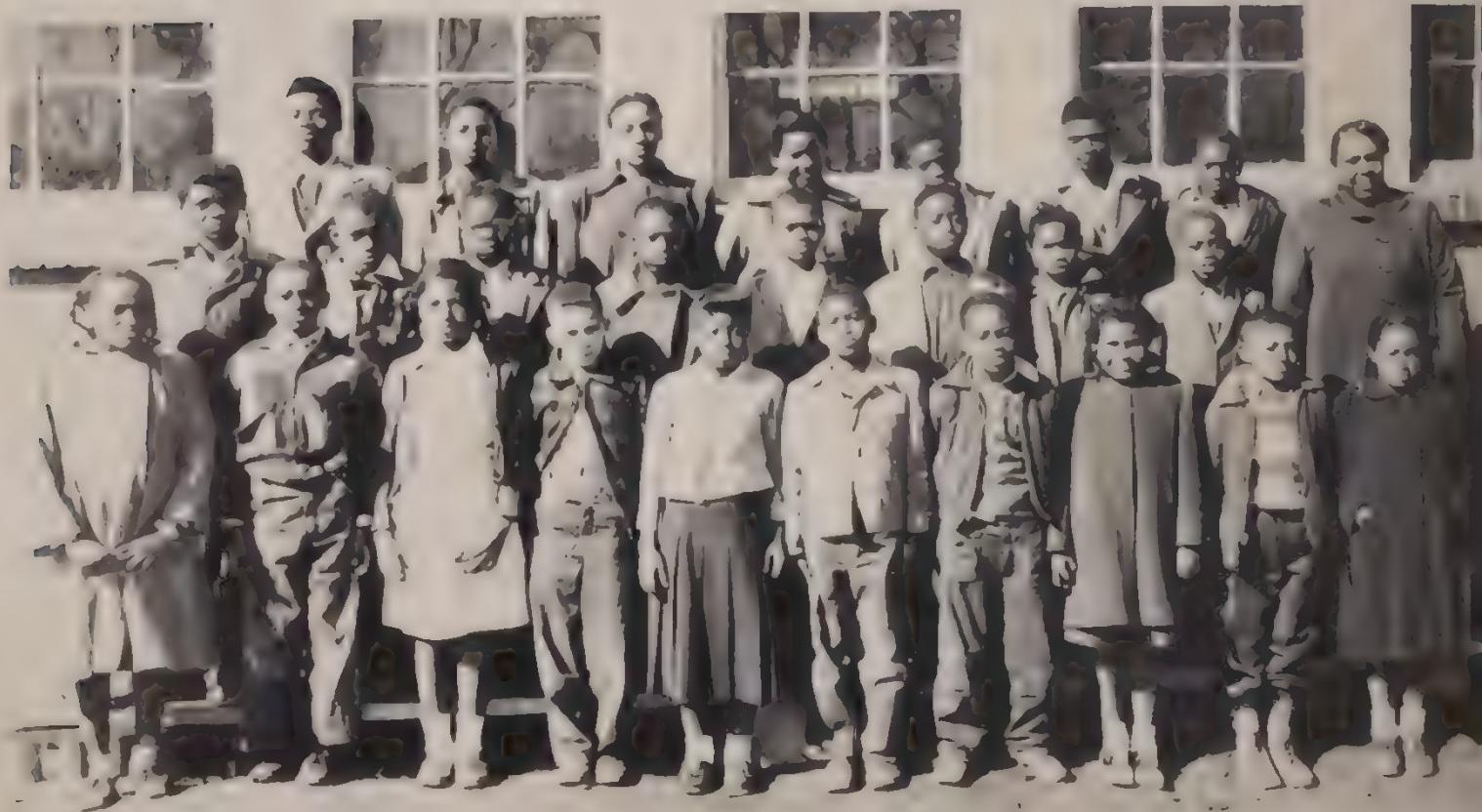
Joyce Anne Davis, Pearline Johnson, and Carlena Hampton are active members of the Band.

As a class we are striving to use our school hours to our advantage so that we may be a credit to our school and community.

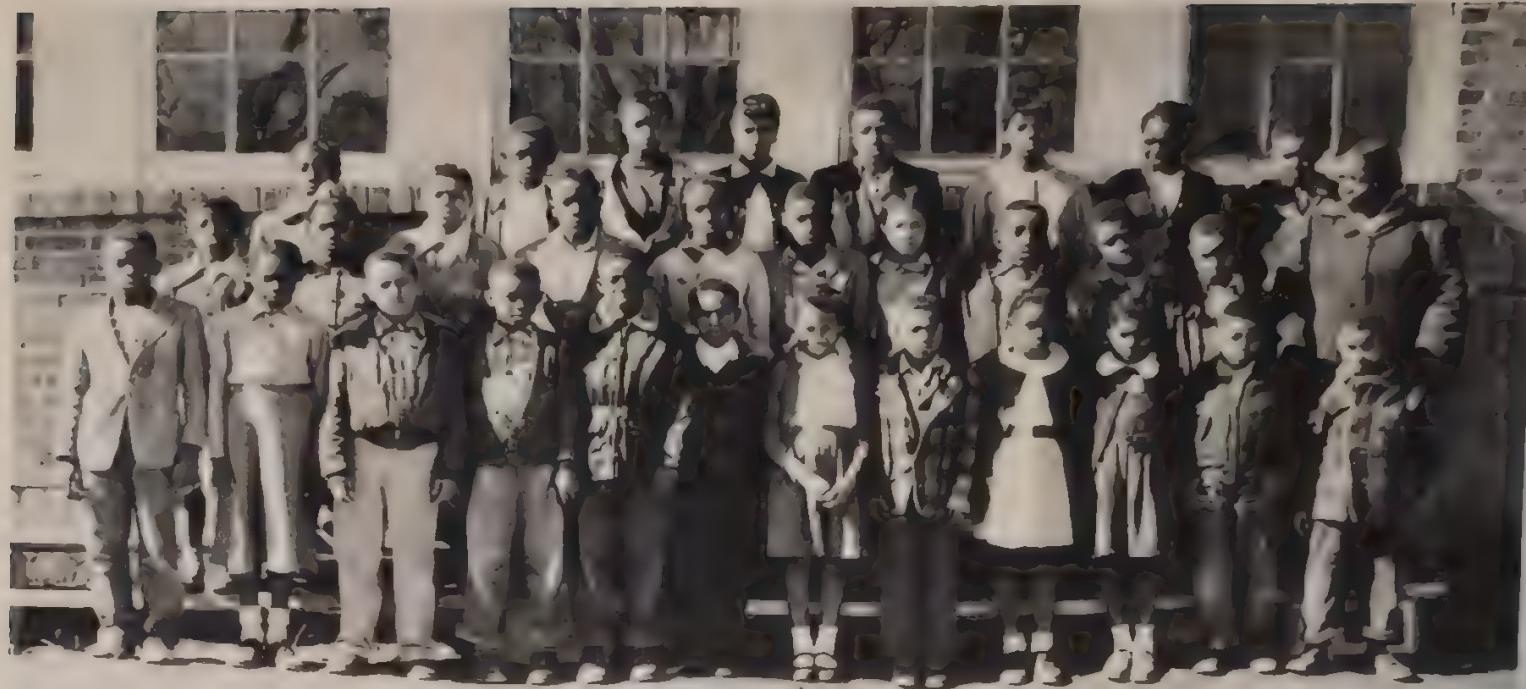
Fifth Grade  
5 A



5 B



*Fourth Grade*  
*4 A*



HONOR ROLL - 4B

Nelson McCoy Perry, Joseph Williams, Jr., Martha Ella Kearney, Emma Lee Thomas, Lillie Mae Williams.

*4 B*



HONOR ROLL 4A

Lee Weston, Lillian Renee' Edgerton, Clementine Johnson, Charles Theodore Bradford,  
John Anderson, Kenneth Gerald Edgerton, Ervin Hartsfield.  
Teacher - Miss C. E. McKnight

# Third Grade

3A



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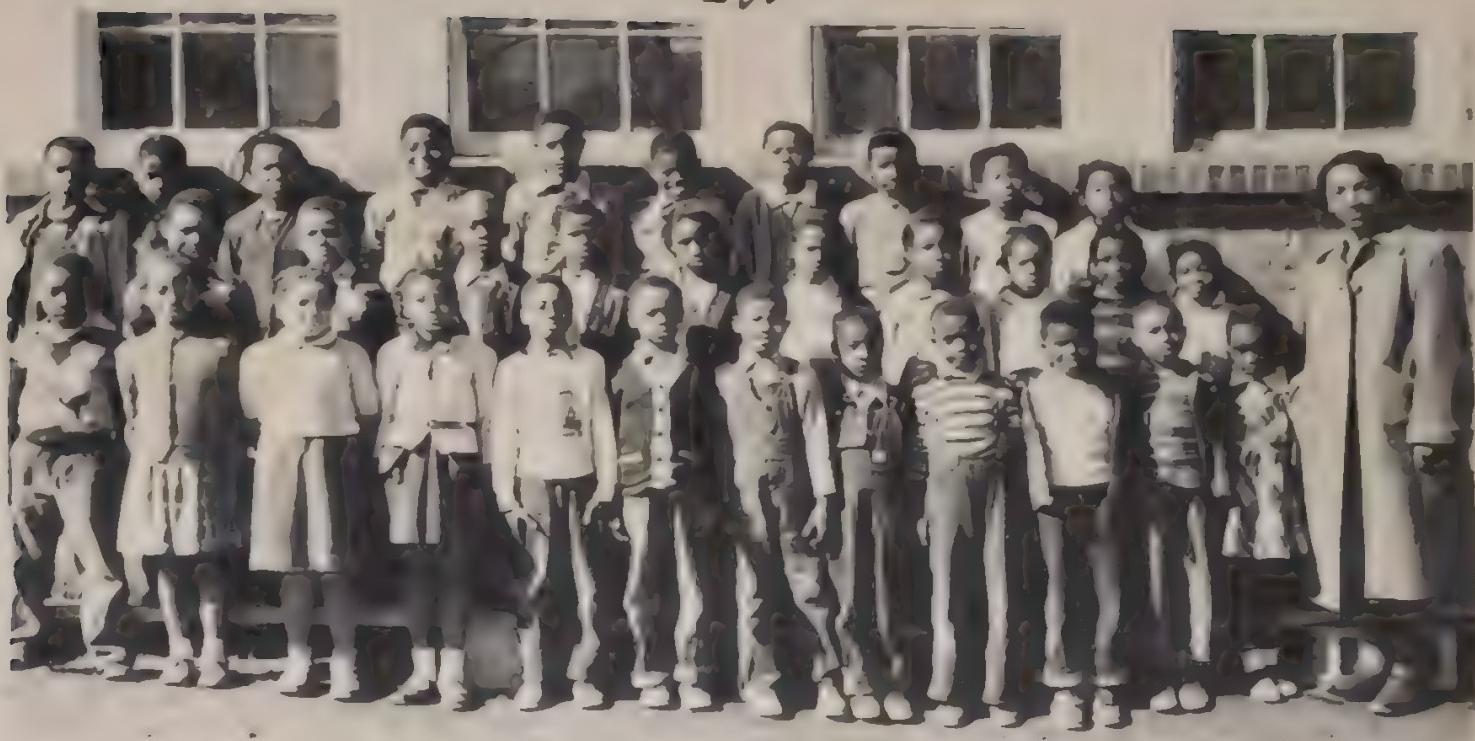
Horace Brown, Le'Daywan Clay, Mary Jane Clegg, Alice Mae Clinton, Willie Wesley Edgerton, Matthew Lee Harris, Kathy F. Lewis, Karen E. Lewis Teacher: Mrs. K. L. Burson

3B



## Second Grade

2A



2B



The Second Grade B has an enrollment of 45 and a membership of 40.

There were three children that made perfect attendance for the first semester, namely:

Dorothy Stallings, Glendora Thomas, Joseph Wiggins.

The following children have shown the most progress in class.

Linda Pettiford, Martin Steed, Curtis Perry.

The Honor Roll for the first semester is as follows:

Delano Richardson, Glendora Thomas, Shirley Johnson, Dorothy Stallings, Rebecca Yarborough.

# First Grade



NEWS - First Grade A, Mrs. Sargeant - Teacher - We have 42 children in our room. Ten of them were born in July which is the most for any month. March brings up the rear with only one. Frank Brown, Jr. is the tallest boy. Patricia Harris is the tallest girl. Harold Leon Greene is the shortest boy and Mary Stewart Hill is the shortest girl. Blanch Mann comes from the largest family. Carroll Holden and Carolyn Brases are each an only child.

School is fun. We like to work and play. We enjoy music very much. We have learned many songs. We enjoy singing and listening to music. Of all the songs we have learned, "The People On The Bus," is our favorite. It is an action song.

The record player is a real part of our room. We use it often and always when someone has a birthday. "The Happy Birthday" song has plenty of action. It is fun to do what it tells us.

Do you know Willie Quack? He is a duck. He comes in our Weekly Reader. Willie Quack is thoughtful and does good deeds. He is a good citizen. We want to be good citizens like Willie Quack.



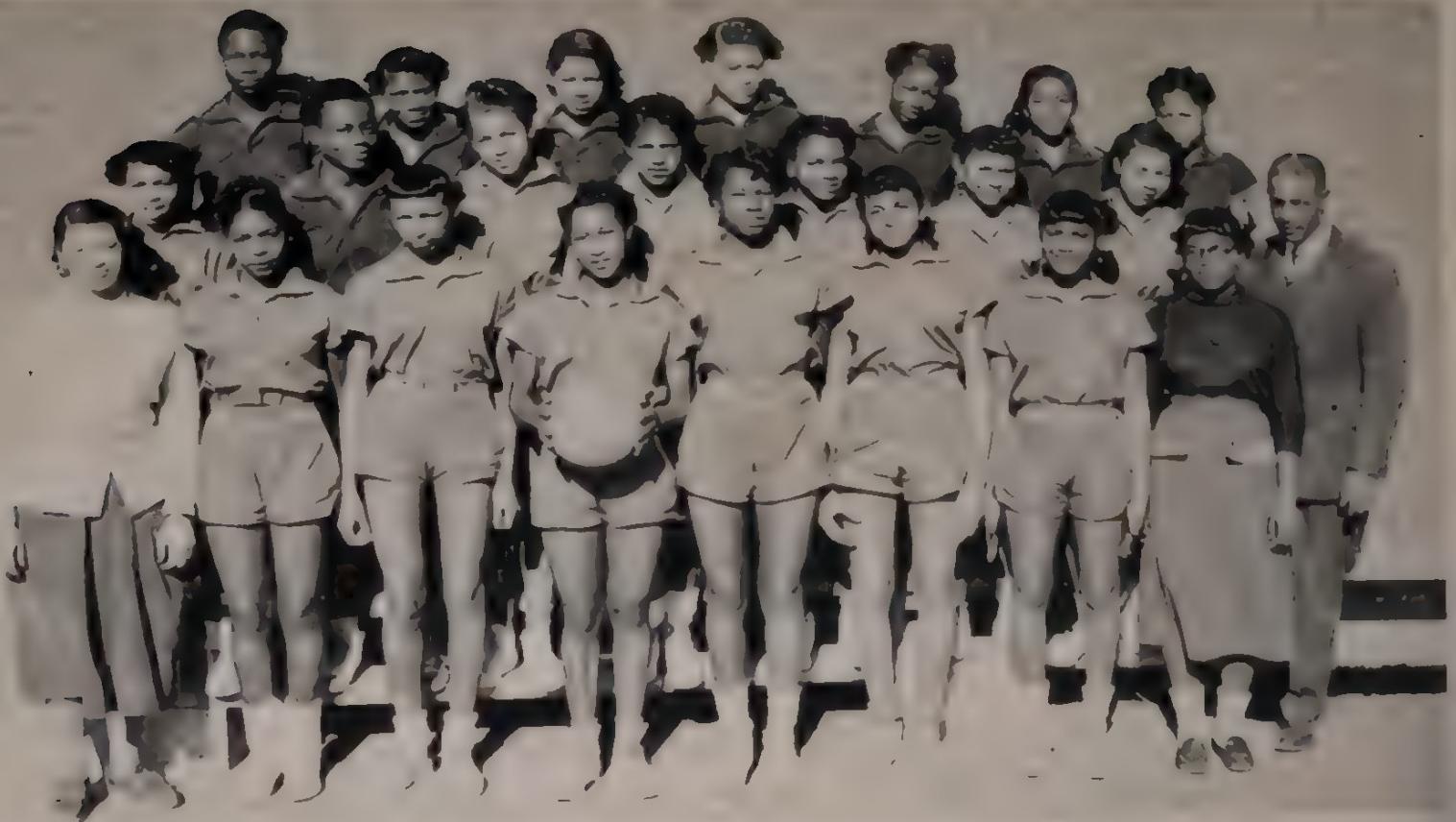
HONOR ROLL CLASS 1B

Sylvester Williams, Dave Wright, Dora Lee Washington, Annie Mae Pettiford, Charles R. Stalling, Dwight Walker. Teacher - Mrs. L. Johnson.

# Activities



## *Girls' Basketball*



Mr. T. E. Conway and Miss G. M. Jones  
Coaches

Mable Mann	Lillie Bell Harris
Barbara Harris	Oteen Shearin
Kattie Johnson	Mary Branch
Wendolyn Alston	Virginia Greene
Betty A. Hill	Mary Manley
Eva Yarborough	Magnolia Perry
Sallie Hawkins	Yvonne Hawkins
Clara Thomas	Curtis Dunston
Ruth Hawkins	Louise Jacobs
Mary R. Williamson	Annie Loane

Our girls won the Fall Line Tournament Championship this year;  
the first since 1941.

## *Football Team*



Left to Right; Front Row: Robert Burrell, Jordon Harris, Russell Davis, Joseph Davis, Willie Davis, Ned Neal, Robert Greene and William Scott. Second Row: Mr. J. O. Himbry, Ass't. Coach; Eugene Martin, Henry Evans, Otis Hawkins, Jesse Davis, Merlyn Macon and Mr. H. B. Greene, Ass't. Coach. Third Row: Altheas Young, Johnnie Bobbitt, Wilbert Williams, Joe Greene, Shelton Rodwell and Mr. T. E. Conway, Coach.

# *Miss Debutante*

MARY B. JOHNSON



Escort  
RUSSELL DAVIS

Marshal Escort  
JUNE A. EDGERTON

## *Student Council*



### *Advisors:*

Mr. Green, Miss Bradshaw, Mrs. Evans and Mr. Himbry.

### *Council:*

June A. Edgerton	Earnest Kearney
Eugene Martin	Joe Moore
Henry Evans	Thelma Greene
Barbara Harris	Lucy Blackmon
Vernella Hayes	Sue Johnson
Katie Johnson	Mary H. Hicks
Jimmy Manley	Oliver Davis
Doris Davis	Mable Mann
Mary A. Hawkins	Elegabeth Elks
Carlina Hampton	Christine Brodie
Vergenia Eaton	Mary King
Evelyn Chavis	

## *Safety Patrol*



Janet Kearney, Velma Kearney, Marvisline Gill, Gladys Stroud, Willie Mae Davis, Mary Branch, Thelma Green, Betty Perry, Christine Clifton, Joe Moore, Novella Lewis, Bueina Young, Austina Clemons, Edith Brodie, Ruth Hawkins, Mary Nowell, Carrine Solomon, Dorothy Davis, June Edgerton, Betty King, Magnolia Perry, Mary King, Costella Smith, Annie Loan, Sallie Richardson, Eva Yarborough, and Bobby Hartsfield.